

In the name of God Amen: I, Mortimer Adams of Franklin County and State of Tennessee being well in body, full of sound mind and disposing memory and calling to mind the uncertainty of human life and being desirous to dispose of all such worldly substance as it hath pleased God to bless me with after all my just debts is paid and funeral expenses is paid. I give and bequeath in manner following to wit that is to say: 1st I will and desire that my wife Elsa Adams have the fifty acres of land I now live on including the house and frame and two beds & furniture two cows & calves her choice pair head of hogs all the household and kitchen furniture one ax and all my farming tools & one cotton wheel & corn and my coral more her natural life time 2^d the balance of my estate & their share to be sold and equally divided between my children and at my wife's decease the part allotted to her be sold and equally divided as above and Lastly I do constitute and appoint my friend Joseph Smith Executor to this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all other or former wills and Testaments by me heretofore made. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 16th day of February 1832

signed sealed and delivered in presence of Mortimer Adams (Seal)

Lewis Davidson Jurat
Robert Atkins Jurat

State of Tennessee } County Court February Term 1834
Franklin County }

The last will and Testament of Mortimer Adams deceased as this day produced in open Court and duly proven by the oath of Lewis Davidson and Robert Atkins Jurats and being read over to be the act and deed of the said Mortimer Adams & ordered to be recorded. Given under my hand at office this 3rd day of March 1834

Recorded in my office this 10th day of March 1834 } E Russell clk. of Franklin County Court
Franklin County Court }

In the name of God Amen. January 25th 1834. I David Dickerson of the State of Tennessee & Franklin County being well in body full of perfect mind and memory & calling to mind the mortality of my body knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die I do make and ordain this to be my last will and Testament and first I leave my soul to God that gave it and my body to the Earth from whence it was taken and of all the worldly goods that it hath pleased God almighty to bestow me with I leave in manner and form as follows: my wife and desire is that my beloved wife Sarah Dickerson shall possess and enjoy the whole of my estate real and personal to her own use and dispose of it as her necessity may require during her life or

shadowhood then to be used equally divided between my seven children viz Joseph David & Leticia Harrison, Mary Adams, Nancy Cole, Sarah Lusk & Lucy Alison after all just debts being paid satisfied and one dollar given to my son John Harrison and one dollar to the heirs of my daughter Elizabeth Lyon signed in presence of us.

Wm. H. Haggood
Jas. Haggood
Richard Haggood

David Harrison

In the case of David Harrison decd In this cause David Harrison & Isaac Cole who offered the said will for Probate came herinto Court and say that the said paper writing so offered for Probate is the true last will & Testament of the said David Harrison deceased and this they are ready to verify & prove as this worshipful Court shall direct

And Thos Wright wife one her of the sd David Harrison decd say that said paper writing is not the last will and Testament of sd deceased and this they pray may be required of by the Country

State of Tennessee Court of Chas & quoter Session holding Franklin County
I do hereby certify that you have been examined in your fidelity and ability in examining this cause and therefore commission and empowered you the said to cause to come before you James Haggood a witness in a certain matter of controversy depending in our said Court wherein David Harrison Isaac Cole are plaintiff and Thomas Wright is defendant and the said witnesses examine on oath or affirmation as well on behalf of the said Harrison & Cole as the said Thomas Wright and such examination taken from under your hands and seals send Certificate into our Court of pleas and quoter Session to be held for the said County at the Court house in the town of their shire on the fourth Monday of February next witness Edmund Ruddle clerk of our said Court at office the fourth Monday of November A.D. 1833 and of the independence of the United States the

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By John Goodwin

In the case of David Harrison's will. In this case David Harrison & Isaac Cole who offered the said will for probate came herinto Court and say that the said paper writing so offered for probate is the true last will and Testament of the said David Harrison deceased and this they are ready to verify.

State of Tennessee Franklin County In obedience to the annexed commission to me directed from the Honorable the Court of pleas

and Justice Session of Franklin County". Done on the 2nd day of
December 1833 at the Law office of M. Ladd in the town of Winchester
procured to take the Deposition of James Haggard the Witness therein
named to be read as evidence in the suit now pending in said
Court therein David Hesterson & Isaac Cole one plaintiffs and Thomas
Knight as defendant. The deponent being of lawful age and just
duly sworn deposes and saith. That on day plaintiff examined the
paper now presented to you purporting to be the last will and
testament of David Hesterson dead & state what you saw about
its execution Answer I saw him David Hesterson sign and
acknowledge the same as and for his last will and testament I
under called my name as a witness thereto in his presence & by his
request. I believe at the time of doing the same he was in
his perfect senses I saw Nathaniel Cumory & Richard Sanders
also subscribe their names as witnesses thereto in his presence
and by his request Sanders is deceased Tammay the last I saw
of him he resided in Greenville District North Carolina for
Haggard Franklin County &c.

The within Deposition of James Haggard was taken and sworn
to & subscribed before the undersigned Justice of the Peace in &
for the County aforesaid at the time and place stated in the
Caption both parties being present the said depositions being
corrected by myself
Justice for one dollar paid Jacob Vanzant
Justice of the Peace
February Term 1834

David Hesterson & Isaac Cole
against
Thomas Knight
Joseph Pratt & John H. Blood for John Cowan and med. S.
Goodman vs William Buchanan & Eliza M. Morale & Goodman
Prayer & William Winford 10 James Estlin 11 & Richard M. West
12 who being elected tried and sworn the truth to speak in
issue joined upon their oaths do say the paper writing produced
in Court and offered for probate is the last will and testament
of the said David Hesterson deceased It is therefore considered and
ordered by the Court that the said last will and testament be
recorded and that the plaintiff recover against the defendant
Thomas Knight their costs hereon in this behalf expended and
the said Defendant in m. &c.

Recorded in my office this 10 day of Nov 1834

E Russell cler.
of Franklin County Court